

**IN THE SPECIFICATION:**

**Please amend the paragraph beginning at page 8, line 24 as follows:**

As shown in FIG. 1A, the clipping device according to the embodiment which is used for the endoscope is constructed such that its member introduced into a body cavity of a subject comprises an insertion tube 1 comprised of a high density polyethylene tube, etc., and has an inner/outer diameter size of about  $\phi$  2.1 mm/2.5 mm and a coil sheath 2 serving as a sheath member, inserted into the insertion tube 1 in a way to be movable back and forth. Into the coil sheath 2 an operation wire 3 made of, for example, stainless steel is inserted in a way to be movable back and forth and is covered with high density polyethylene. An operation section is provided near a base end of the insertion tube 1 fitted over an outer periphery of the coil sheath 2. The operation section comprises a silicone grip (first operation means) 4 so mounted as to be press-fitted over the base end portion of the insertion tube 1 and adapted to move the insertion tube 1 back and forth relative to the coil sheath, an operation section body 5 provided on the base end of the coil sheath 2 and a slider (second operation means) 6 mounted at the base end of the operation wire 3 through a pipe 14 and slidable relative to the operation section body 5. A clip unit 7 as will be set out below is mounted on a distal end of the operation wire 3. On the operation wire 3 a silicone oil is coated so as to improve the slidability relative to the coil sheath 2.